

CITY COUNCIL ADOPTS LICENSE-TAX ORDINANCE

Measure Will Be Sent to Board of Aldermen on Tuesday for Concurrence.

IT CONTAINS MANY CHANGES

Increases in Many Features and Fewer Exemptions—Man Wanted in Petersburg Under Arrest in Wilmington—Other News Notes.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
PETERSBURG, VA., April 9.—The Common Council last night adopted the license tax ordinance for the year beginning May 1, and it will be sent to the Board of Aldermen next week for concurrence. The new ordinance, contained many changes from the one in force this year. There are fewer exemptions, and in many lines of business the license tax is increased. It was explained by Vice-Chairman McKenney, of the Finance Committee, that because of the decrease in revenue under the new tax law it was thought better to raise the license tax rather than increase the tax on real estate. Insurance companies and agents and rolling stock are exempted from taxation by the city, and the city will lose the exemption of State-wide prohibition because of State-wide prohibition. Under the new ordinance, tailors and pressers, gasfitters, steamfitters, electricians and electric welders, heretofore exempt, are required to take out a license to do business, and all police, telegraph, telephone and street railway, are assessed \$1.50 each. The tax on pool and billiard-rooms is increased to \$100 on one table and \$25 on each additional table, from the present rate of \$25 and \$15. A specific tax of \$3.00 on every person selling small articles in the streets is substituted for the present license of \$25. Fortune tellers and clairvoyants will have to pay a license of \$500, instead of \$50, as now. A tax of \$20 is placed on a grocer having a capital in excess of \$1,000, and the tax on automobiles operating for hire in the city is raised from \$10 to \$25. A motion was made to fix this tax at \$100 for one car and \$25 for each additional one, but this was opposed on the ground that it would tend to create a monopoly, and it was withdrawn. The tax on butchers was reduced from \$50 to \$25, but it was raised on auctioneers, junk dealers and other lines of business.

Arrested on Serious Charge.
W. H. Preston, a citizen of North Carolina, is under arrest in Wilmington, N. C., on the charge of stealing an automobile valued at \$700, the property of W. P. Atkinson & Co., of this city. It is alleged that on April 5, Preston purchased the automobile, giving a check for it on a North Carolina bank. The check was found to be no good. Request for papers were made, and asked for the return of Preston to Petersburg. The auto has been recovered, and is being brought back.

Jitney Line to City Point.
Prospects are good for the early establishment of a jitney bus line between Petersburg and City Point. Northern capital and enterprise are the back of the project, which it is believed, will pay well. There will be two or more big motor cars on the line, to be run at frequent intervals and on quick time. The travel between Petersburg is just now very large.

Erroneous Rumors.
Rumors were in circulation yesterday of the appearance of smallpox at City Point. Careful investigation by the Board of Health of Prince George County proved the rumors to be untrue. The report probably originated from the fact that vaccination is being conducted among the laborers at the Du Pont works to prevent any outbreak of the disease.

To Examine Designs.
The committee of Petersburg Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, charged with the duty of examining and reporting on designs submitted for the proposed monument to General William Mahone, will meet on Monday in A. F. Hill Camp Hall to perform this work. It is understood the committee will have a number of designs to be considered. The memorial is expected to cost in the neighborhood of \$5,000, a part of which the City Council will contribute. The site has not been decided upon, but opinion favors the Central Park as the most desirable location.

Notes of Interest.
On his passage North through the city to-day, Jess Willard, the world's heavyweight champion, was greeted by a crowd of several hundred people at the Washington Street Station, and by a like crowd at the Union Station. He was lustily cheered, and in response came to the platform and bowed his acknowledgment.

The insurance companies yesterday settled on a satisfactory basis the losses recently sustained by fire and water to the stock of goods at the dry goods store of W. R. H. O'Kennon, in Sycamore Street.

Oakwood Camp. Woodmen of the world, the mother camp of Virginia, had a fine meeting last night, a number of visitors being present. The Woodmen have over \$1,000,000 invested in Virginia in the best securities. J. A. Gray, the camp ranger, who some nights ago created a disturbance in the station-house and attacked Chief Ragland, was to-day committed to the asylum at Williamsburg.

ON SIGHTSEEING TRIP.

Southern Seminary Students Spend Week in Washington Section.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BUENA VISTA, VA., April 9.—Miss J. C. Jarman, of Nashville, Tenn., lady principal of the Southern Seminary, Buena Vista, returned from Washington yesterday, where she has been with a party of Southern Seminary students spending a week sightseeing in Washington and visiting Annapolis, Mt. Vernon and Arlington. On the return trip they visited the Caverns of Luray. The party was composed of the following young women: Misses Ned Jane Hanford, Oklahoma; Louise Langbehn, Phillips and Julliana Whitehill, Ohio; Maud and Tennie Langdon, Missouri; Janet, Robie, Colorado; Ella Hirsch, New Jersey; Daisy Arthur, West Virginia; Ernestine Thompson, Indiana; Helen Harris, Missouri; and Mildred Whitsett, Texas.

WREATHS FOR GRAVES OF CONFEDERATE DEAD

Tribute From Living Union Veterans Placed in Cemetery at Appomattox.

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APPOMATTOX, VA., April 9.—Lieutenant Round and Professor Hodge, of Eastern College, Nashville, Tenn., and Grand Army button, and the other a Confederate Cross of Honor reached Appomattox last night from Manassas. With them came William McLean, who was an elderly man, and his father, who was fifty years ago. The delegation

But at That Huerta Might Harmonize the Mexicans



brought a large memorial wreath in white, bearing the inscription "A Tribute from Living Union Veterans to the Confederate Dead at Appomattox, April 9, 1915." The donors are Sergeant Charles DeWitt Marcy, of Boston, and Colonel Robert M. Thompson, of New York. The wreath was received by Mrs. C. W. Hunter, Miss Eula Mae Burke and Mrs. J. W. Flood, representing the Daughters of the Confederacy, and placed in the cemetery with simple ceremonies at which Congressman H. D. Flood presided.

Lieutenant Round was introduced and expressed his appreciation of the suggestion that April 9 be held a "sacred day" at Appomattox. Beautiful wreaths were also presented by the Appomattox Chapter of the U. D. C., both to the Confederate dead as well as the Union dead, and by Mrs. John Scott and family of Englewood, N. J. Mrs. H. D. Flood brought flowers which she placed on the lone grave of the Federal soldier. Miss Pauline Clement placed bridal roses and beautiful Easter lilies on the last resting place of this unknown soldier of the Union. S. L. Ferguson and Professor Hodge made remarks, and Mr. McLean told of the parting between Generals Grant and Lee on the lawn of the McLean house.

A large number of citizens went to the site of the McLean house, under the guidance of A. H. Clement and Major J. W. Flood, the latter having served in the General Assembly of Virginia forty years ago. At the Agricultural High School addresses appropriate to the day were read by the president of the Appomattox Chapter of the U. D. C., C. W. Hunter, and the visiting delegation.

**RECOVER MONEY
STOLEN FROM BANK**
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must seek not only his own salvation, but also point the way upwards to Mr. McAdams. He was deeply interested in Mr. McAdams's welfare. The operative carried the stories of the dreams and visions to Superintendent J. W. Erb, of the local office of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, and the latter always sent back an interpretation. And always the interpretation had something to do with finding stolen money. There were more dreams, and Bradshaw, for whom Mr. Erb found another position in the Park Building after he was discharged from the bank, became so forgetful in considering his visions that he would leave waste-paper baskets on the desks and ash cans in the office chairs.

**NEGRO POINTS TO WHERE
MONEY HAD BEEN HIDDEN**

Mr. Erb knew that he was troubled in mind and conscience, and sent out more operatives to aid the negro in his dreaming. Came the time when Bradshaw appeared to be on the point of breaking down, and yesterday it was decided to arrest him and to search his house. Accompanied by Superintendent Asher Rosseter, division superintendent of the Pinkerton Agency, with headquarters in Philadelphia, Special Agent Daughton and Detective Sergeant Atkinson, Mr. Erb went to Bradshaw's house, and finally, at the negro's suggestion, went to Conway's home and recovered \$2,835 hidden in a box beneath the stairway. Further search resulted in the finding of \$395 and the deed of trust for \$250, making a total of \$4,480 recovered.

The three negroes were taken to the United States marshal's office, where further effort was made to have Bradshaw divulge the hiding place of the rest of the money, or to tell what disposal he had made of it. He swore that he didn't know what had become of it. "Well, go ahead and dream some more," said Mr. McAdams. "See if those golden birds can't tell you where the rest of the money is. Your visions have been pretty prophetic before, and they might help you again." Every effort will be made to have Bradshaw sleep well in the County Jail, so that the golden birds may fly again in his dreams.

George Cohan Play at Colonial.
Photoplay fans and "fannies" will delight in the announcement that George Cohan's latest success, "Officer 666," is booked for the Colonial to-day. It would be hard to imagine a subject better adapted to picturization than the uproarious Cohan and Harris comedy, whose quaint humor and ludicrous situations made the nation chuckle from Boston, Me., to San Francisco. The original stage version played near 600 American cities, the surest kind of test. The film version is even funnier, as it permits a much greater latitude of action, and is not confined to the conventional four acts of the drama. There are more than 150 different scenes in the big Kleine film. It is in-

JUDGE FINDS NO GROUND FOR HOLDING H. SUSMAN

After Sensational Scene in Courtroom, His Release Is Ordered.

MANY WITNESSES EXAMINED

Requires Forceful Efforts of Several Men to Calm Defendant to Such an Extent That Hearing Can Proceed Without Interruption.

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RICHMOND, N. C., April 9.—Entering upon what he told Judge Daniels would be a clear statement of the whole transaction, H. Susman became almost frantic on the witness stand this morning, stamping his foot, pounding upon the judge's desk and literally raving against the charge that he had practiced any fraud in telephone construction contracts made with J. A. Underhill and others for a rural line out from Louisburg. It required the combined forceful efforts of Ralph L. Myerberg, of Goldsboro, three or four lawyers and others to get Susman to his seat, and finally calmed to such an extent that the business of the hearing could continue. It was a hearing taken from a commitment on Wednesday by Magistrate Palmer, at Louisburg, holding Susman under \$500 bond on criminal charge. Judge Daniels, a very few minutes after the sensational scene created by Susman, ordered his release on the ground that there was nothing in the written contracts signed by Underhill and others that they were getting any Bell telephone stock or any thing but shares in the local lines being constructed from their homes to Louisburg. Counsel for the prosecution urged upon the judge statements of evidence that Susman represented to the prosecutors that they were getting stock in the Bell Telephone Company, but that to avoid allegations of trust methods of business, it was best to make no mention of the Bell stock in the written contracts, and that these representations constituted fraud. The judge, however, insisted that men of intelligence should be governed by the written contract, and that there was no ground to hold the defendant under the bond exacted by the judge. The hearing began before Judge Daniels at 8 o'clock this morning, consisting of elaborate statements of the opposing contentions by counsel, and the examination of twenty-five or more witnesses, numbers of them, however, character witnesses for Susman. In his personal testimony, Susman said he was born in Poland, lived for many years in Washington, N. C., and for the past two years in Richmond, as the general manager of the Southern Construction Company, and interested in a number of other enterprises. He testified that he had promoted 100 or more telephone lines in this State and Southern Virginia, and that this was the first trouble he had gotten into. Susman maintained that in his representations to Underhill and his associates he made no claims to connection with the Bell Telephone Company, except that he used the Bell equipment, which is standard for the whole country, and that all he represented they were getting was the interest in proportion to their subscriptions, in the rural line from their homes to Louisburg, except that he did represent to Underhill that by taking \$700 interest he would have the controlling interest in the entire line. He was cross-examined by W. M. Parson, of Louisville, and stoutly denied that he made any representations of interest in Bell Telephone Company.

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RELEASE GERMAN GOODS PAID FOR BEFORE MARCH 1

British Embassy Promises That, on Production of Proof, There Will Be No Interference.

STATE DEPARTMENT WILL AID

Invites American Merchants and Importers to Forward All Evidence of Ownership and Payment—May Receive Dyestuffs Shortage.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—American merchants and importers have been invited by the State Department in a circular letter made public to-day to send in for submission to the British embassy proofs that goods purchased in Germany and now in transit, or awaiting shipment, were paid for before March 1. The embassy has given assurances that, on the production of such proof, goods will not be interfered with by allied warships. It is understood that vast quantities of merchandise, including dyestuffs, for lack of which American textile factories are on the verge of shutting down, will be released for shipment as soon as proof of their purchase before March 1 is submitted. The letter says: "While the government of the United States cannot in any way lend its aid in an official and formal manner to the position of Great Britain in respect to noncontraband goods, especially from neutral ports, the office of the foreign trade advisers of the department will aid informally American importers who desire to present proof of ownership of American goods in Germany, for which American importers claim to have made payment prior to March 1, 1915. "You are therefore advised that if you desire to submit proofs of your ownership of goods, paid for before March 1, for examination by the British embassy, your forward such evidence as you have to the foreign

Trade advisers of the Department of State. The letter suggested that the evidence of ownership and payment include: "A history of the case, showing dates of payment, nature of the goods bought, location of goods at the present date, when they reached their present location, name of steamer on which it is desired to ship such goods, date of sailing of such steamer and all further information pertaining to origin, payment and shipment of in your possession."

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